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Amendment A

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Carol Rines et al

Serial No. 09/039,176  
(Divisional of USSN 08/696,294,  
filed August 19, 1996, in turn a  
continuation of USSN 08/380,242,  
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Examiner: Davis, D.

For: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR EXPANDING FUNCTIONALITY OF  
VEHICLE CASSETTE TAPE-PLAYER DECKS TO PERMIT DICTATION OR  
OTHER RECORDING AND AUTOMATIC REMOTE STATION RELAYING  
OF THE SAME

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

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Dear Sir:

Replying to the Office communication of January 6, 1999, please amend the application  
as follows:

Please cancel claims 1-11 as presented in the copy of the application originally filed  
with this application.

Please accept the following claims 12-22 as the required substitute claims in this  
application.

--12. In a driver-operated vehicle provided with a vehicle entertainment player tape  
deck for the driver to listen to tapes while operating the vehicle, apparatus for expanding the  
use of the vehicle player tape deck to permit dictation by the driver, that comprises,  
microphone and recording amplifying components comprising dictating/storing apparatus  
added and permanently integrated in the player tape deck to enable diversionless dictation by  
the driver while operating the vehicle; means operable at a time after voice dictation and